(b) if so, whether the Government have approached the State Government to have the first hand information report in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Union Government to mitigate the long term problem of the area ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The State Government of Gujarat has reported that due to typical geological and geohydrological situations, problems of quality of drinking water like excess fluoride, salinity, periodic insufficient rainfall, minimal ground water recharge and non-sustainability of the ground water sources in Saurashtra and Kachchh, the region has been facing drinking water problem for a long time.

(d) The State Government has formulated a plan to supply water from the Narmada Canal network to 8215 villages and 135 urban centres of Saurashtra and Kochchh. The State Government has also formulated and sent schemes for seeking external assistance and for Central assistance under the Sub-Mission programme of Rajiv Gandhi Drinking Water Mission. The schemes are at various stages of technical scrutiny.

Non-Governmental Organisations Run by Officers

1867. SHRI CHINTAMAN WANAGA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to impose ban on officers of All-India Services from floating any non-Governmental Organisation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of non-Governmental Organisations run by officers of All-India Services, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government have decided to amend the conduct of rules of the All-India Services; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a), (b), (d) and (e) It is proposed to amend AIS (Conduct) Rules so that members of All India Services would not be allowed to involve themselves in the registration, promotion, management and other activities of Non-Governmental organisation. In respect of their family members it is further proposed that they would need prior approval of the Government before involving themselves with such organisation. At present the matter is under consultation final the State Governments. After receipt of their comments a final decision would be taken.

(c) As State Governments are competent to give such permissions at present, the details are not centrally monitored.

Allocation of Power to Kerala

1868. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA :
SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the share of power due to Kerala has been curtailed by the Central Electricity Authority;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the reduced power from the Kerala's share has been diverted to Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka;

(d) if so, the details and reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Union Government propose to reconsider to restore the pre-position in supplying the power to Kerala;

(f) if so, the details thereof;

(g) whether the Union Government propose to set up more power projects in the State and supply adequate Neptha for its power projects; and

(h) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) to (d) The shares of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu from the 15% unallocated power of the Central Power Stations in the Southern Region from 1.10.1996 are indicated below. The allocation in the constituent states is made having regard to prevailing power supply position :

State	Share from (%) 1.10.1996	Share from (%) 1.10.1997	10.2.1997
Andhra Pradesh	30	25	30
Karnataka	30	40	40
Kerala	30	25	27
Tamil Nadu	10	10	3

(e) and (f) The Share of Kerala from unallocated share has been increased from 25% to 27% with effect from 10.2.1997.

(g) and (h) Central Government has approved Kayamkulam combined cycle power project (350 MW) based on Naptha in Kerala in September, 1996. The project is presently under execution and the implementation scheduled of the project is as follows :